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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION BONN SUMMIT

1. MADRID DAILIES GAVE EXTENSIVE COVERAGE TO BONN
SUMMIT.

2. CENTRIST INFORMACIONES OF JULY 17, IN A REPORT
FROM ITS BONN CORRESPONDENT, NOTED THAT THE RESULTS
WERE STILL NOT IN BUT THAT "CARTER REFLECTS BOTH
INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES A DIPLOMATIC
PROFILE WHICH IS MORE AND MORE DIFFUSE. HIS
SENTIMENTAL MORALITY HAS NOT HELPED THE REPRESENTA-
TIVES OF SOVIET DISSIDENCE...IN HIS OWN COUNTRY THE
PLAN FOR ENERGY CONTROL IS ON DEAD CENTER. THE
PRESIDENT DOES NOT WISH TO SEE THE SALT NEGOTIATIONS
SUSPENDED...BUT IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT BEFORE LEAVING
WASHINGTON HE GAVE INSTRUCTIONS TO BLOCK THE EXPORTA-
TION OF UNIVAC COMPUTERS..."

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3. LEFT SENSATIONALIST DIARIO 16 OF JULY 17 NOTED
THAT THE SEVEN WERE MEETING "IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF
GENERAL SKEPTICISM, A CONSEQUENCE OF THE POOR RESULTS
OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS." IT WENT ON TO SAY THAT
"THE FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS WHICH THE REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE ECONOMIC INTERESTS OF HALF THE WORLD WOULD
TAKE UP WERE LISTED FRIDAY BY PRESIDENT CARTER."

4. ON JULY 18 THE CONSERVATIVE ABC SAID: "THE SEVEN MOST INDUSTRIALIZED POWERS OF THE FREE WORLD AND THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY SHOWED THEIR COMMON WILL TO IMPROVE ECONOMIC GROWTH, COMBAT WORK STOPPAGES, REDUCE INFLATION STABILIZE WEAK CURRENCIES, SAVE IMPORTED ENERGY, LIBERALIZE WORLD TRADE AND FORM A UNITED FRONT AGAINST AIR PIRACY."

5. INDEPENDENT LIBERAL LEFT EL PAIS OF THE SAME DATE, AFTER NOTING THAT THE SUMMIT HAD AGREED TO BLOCK AIR TRAFFIC TO COUNTRIES AIDING AIR PIRATES, SAID: "IN ADDITION THE SEVEN 'POWERS' OF THE WESTERN ECONOMY DECIDED DURING THE BONN SUMMIT TO INCREASE THEIR ECONOMIC EXPANSION IN THE THIRD WORLD WHEN THIS DEVELOPMENT AID IS MET WITH THE DESIRE TO 'CREATE A GOOD CLIMATE FOR INVESTMENT AND A SUFFICIENT GUARANTEE OF PROTECTION FOR FOREIGN INVESTMENTS.'" VALLIMARESCU

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